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SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON DECRIMINALIZATION OF
MARIJUANA

REF: STATE 57902

1. URUGUAYAN LAW GOVERNING THE POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA
IS PART OF GENERAL REGULATIONS COVERING CONTROLLED SUB-
STANCES CONSIDERED PHYSICALLY OR PSYCHOLOGICALLY HARMFUL.

2. PENALTIES RANGE FROM (A) MANDATORY COMMITMENT TO
MEDICAL CARE FOR PERSONS FOUND IN POSSESSION OF SMALL
QUANTITIES OF MARIJUANA FOR THEIR PERSONAL USE, (B) 3
TO TEN YEARS IN PRISON FOR POSSESSION OF LARGER QUANTITIES
TO (C) A MAXIMUM PENALTY OF 6 TO 18 YEARS IMPRISONMENT
FOR ORGANIZING OR FINANCING A TRAFFICKING RING.

3. THESE LAWS ARE VIGOROUSLY ENFORCED BY THE POLICE,
BUT AS THE TENDENCY TO ABUSE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN
URUGUAY IS VERY LOW, OCCURRING MAINLY IN DRUGS FOR
PERSONAL USE, ONLY 50 PERSONS OR SO WERE DETAINED
LAST YEAR. IN NEARLY EVERY CASE, SENTENCING AMOUNTED
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TO COMPULSORY MEDICAL TREATMENT. ONLY ONE PERSON,
PICKED UP FOR TRAFFICKING MARIJUANA IMPORTED FROM
PARAGUAY, RECEIVED A PRISON SENTENCE (2 TO 6 YEARS).
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